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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:) Examiner: W. Bashore
Richard Humbleman, et al.)
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS) Group Art Unit: 2176
FOR A HOME NETWORK AUTO-)
TREE BUILDER) Reply to Office Action
Application No.: 09/709,781) Dated: February 6, 2004
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Commissioner of Patents
PO BOX 1450
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Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby responds to the Office Action dated February 6, 2004.

Reexamination and allowance of the claims is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.